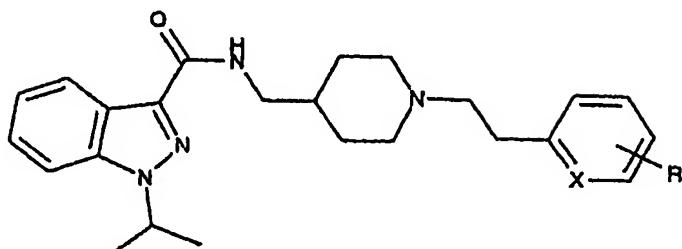


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## CLAIMS

1. Use of a compound of formula I:



(I)

wherein

5        X is CH or N, and  
when X is CH, R is H, OH, a linear or branched alkyl chain having  
from 1 to 3 carbon atoms, a linear or branched alkoxy chain having  
from 1 to 3 carbon atoms, or a halogen atom, and  
when X is N, R is H,  
10      or an acid addition salt thereof with a pharmaceutically acceptable  
organic or inorganic acid,  
to prepare a pharmaceutical composition active in the treatment of  
neuropathic pain.

2. Use of a compound of formula (I) according to Claim 1 wherein X is  
15      CH and R is H.  
3. Use of a compound of formula (I) according to Claim 1 wherein X is  
N and R is H.